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Honorable Kevin P. Castel
United States District Court Judge
United States Courthouse
500 Pearl St.
New York, New York 10007

Re: United States v. John Galanis
15 CR 643 (KPC)

Your Honor,

*Sentence
of John Galanis
adjourned from
January 13 to
Feb. 16, 2017 at 3:00 p.m.
SO ORDERED.
11-29-16
USPJ*

I am writing on behalf of the defendant, John Galanis. I am in receipt of the Court's latest Order dated November 28th. I write to most respectfully request that the Court reconsider its decision or in the alternative schedule a conference to discuss this matter further.

Mr. Galanis' surgery is scheduled for January 3, 2017, that is the earliest date his surgery could occur due to the surgery he had yesterday (which went very well and he had no complications) and the availability of his doctors. This surgery is on his hip and ankle and is intended to stop the deterioration of his condition that if left untreated or mistreated would inevitably lead to him being unable to walk. The doctors have told him that he will be immobile for 30 days and then in a boot. He can travel after the 30-day period. And, if the Court so ordered be able to be placed into the custody of the Bureau of Prisons. However, counsel would be making a motion that he be allowed to self-report to his designated prison mainly for the reason that it would save him a long and arduous trip across the country by the United States Marshals, as he will be requesting to be housed in a prison in Southern California near his family. Each of the other defendants' sentences in this matter have been adjourned to February and the Government has no objection to the adjournment. Counsel is fully aware and recognizes the Court's fears in this matter but I am sure the Court, most respectfully realizes that Mr. Galanis would like to have the doctors he has chosen and are fully aware of all of his conditions perform this most serious and delicate operation and not some doctor who has never seen him and is not up to date on all of his conditions. Mr. Galanis is only asking to adjourn his sentence one month. At that point he will be mobile and able to attend. Mr. Galanis assures the Court that he will not make any further applications to adjourn his sentence. Thus, most respectfully Mr. Galanis literally begs the Court to reconsider his application for an adjournment or in the alternative schedule a conference to discuss this matter further.

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I am filing this letter outside of the public realm due to the medical issues discussed.
Thank you very much for your understanding in this matter.

Respectfully yours,


David Touger

cc: AUSA Brian Blades